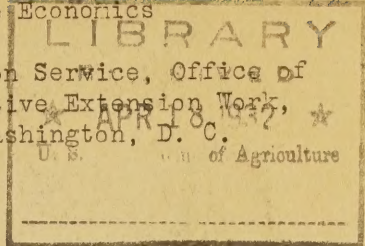


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DO FORMER 4-H CLUB MEMBERS GO TO COLLEGE?

A Statistical Study of  
Former Boys' and Girls' 4-H Club Members Enrolled as Students in  
Agriculture and Home Economics at the State Colleges of Agriculture in the  
Central States, 1931-1932  
(As reported by the State club leaders)

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One measuring stick of the effectiveness of 4-H clubs in fostering a desire for further scholastic training on the part of farm boys and girls is the enrollment of former 4-H club members in the courses in agriculture and in home economics at the State colleges of agriculture.

In making this study, no attempt was made to obtain data relative to courses other than agriculture and home economics. However, certain States reported the total number of former club members attending the college. It is known that many former 4-H club members enter for other courses at the agricultural colleges and also that many other former club members enroll as students at other educational institutions.

When data similar to these were first obtained in 1927-28, 9 States reported 751 former club members as being enrolled at the colleges; in 1929-30, 13 States reported an attendance of 1,758; in 1930-31, 12 States reported 2,263; and during the present year 10 States reported 1,724 former 4-H club members enrolled in agriculture and home economics. In every State but one, which submitted complete data for both 1930-31 and 1931-32, the percentage of former club members enrolled was greater than that of the preceding year.

It is probably true that the awarding of scholarships to 4-H club members is a factor in encouraging attendance at the State colleges of agriculture.

Similar data will be obtained each year. It is suggested that plans be made by each State to obtain the desired information at the time of student registration, at the beginning of the college year.

DISTRIBUTION: A copy of this summary has been sent to the president, dean of agriculture, dean of home economics, and registrar of each State agricultural college; and to each State extension director, club leader, and editor.



State	Number of students in agriculture					Number of former 4-H club members				
	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior	Total	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior	Total
ILLINOIS.....	215	83	95	76	469	90	33	27	33	183
INDIANA.....	152	107	75	65	399	69	44	33	36	182
IOWA.....	241					44				
KANSAS.....	99	102	89	58	348	43	33	32	20	128
KENTUCKY.....	51	40	33	29	153	21	12	12	14	59
MICHIGAN.....	124	83	90	63	360	26	24	11	11	72
MINNESOTA....	73	76	57	24	230	24	27	15	10	76
MISSOURI.....										
NEBRASKA.....	91	69	71	68	299	33	24	20	16	93
N. DAK. ....										
OHIO.....										
S. DAK. ....	35	25	31	16	107	16	3	4	0	23
WISCONSIN....	85	79	83	67	314	27	18	23	14	82

Note. - Blank spaces indicate that data were not reported.

State	Number of students in home economics					Number of former 4-H club members					Totals for both agriculture and home economics	
	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior	Total	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior	Total	Total number of former club members enrolled	Percentage of club members to student enrollment
ILLINOIS.....					338					61	244	30.2
INDIANA.....	132	111	83	76	402	53	37	37	22	149	331	41.3
IOWA.....	246					63					107#	22.0#
KANSAS*.....	128	118	81	78	405	40	33	14	6	93	221	29.3
KENTUCKY.....	27	15	27	25	94	5	5	8	12	30	89	36.0
MICHIGAN*....	147	86	101	95	429	31	15	17	21	84	156	19.8
MINNESOTA....	130	149	82	71	432	23	26	10	12	71	147	22.2
MISSOURI.....												
NEBRASKA*....	60	51	59	64	234	17	15	10	10	52	145	27.2
N. DAK. ....												
OHIO.....												
S. DAK.* .....	28	34	22	22	106	10	10	6	1	27	50	23.5
WISCONSIN....	83	80	78	73	314	15	14	11	5	45	127	20.2

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# Freshmen only.

\*Reported totals of former 4-H club members attending State agricultural colleges:  
Kansas, 361; Michigan, 192; South Dakota, 81; Nebraska, 186.



